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To: DES SBCC

Subject: Building Code Council Proposal to Ban Natural Gas

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Dear Council,

My name is Kurt Rumens, I am the President of Travis Industries, for over four decades we have manufactured the world's finest gas fired fireplaces, inserts, and stoves right here in Washington.

There is not a better solution for supplemental residential heat that works in a power outage than modern gas appliances . A central question in this debate should include opinions of the tens of thousands of Washington State homeowners that have come to love and depend upon their gas fireplaces, inserts , and stoves. I do not believe they have any clue how your proposal may change the future outlook of families having a choice of staying warm and safe with Natural Gas , not if , but when the power fails during the winter months when it is essential.

On behalf of tens of thousands of local families I respectfully ask that this irresponsible proposal be abandoned.

Sincerely,

Kurt WF Rumens President, Travis Industries

Sent from my iPhone